Open Day for Lightship Therapies



Regular members will no doubt recall the great talk we had from Jan van der Elsen on Sound Healing in July. Jan and his wife Agnes have been refurbishing a lightship for the last three years and now it is finally ready. (Well, almost).

The vessel will shortly be moved from Sharpness Docks, up the Gloucester & Sharpness Canal to its permanent berth at Llanthony Quay, just below Gloucester Docks.

As soon as it is safely in position, Jan and Agnes will be holding an Open Day. Everyone is invited, and Slimbridge Dowsing Group members are especially welcome.

Unfortunately, at the time of writing, Jan and Agnes do not have a definite date. It was hoped to be the end of September, but British Waterways has to dredge their mooring and parts of the canal first, and the dredger is currently held up on another job. So it looks as if the open day will be in October. Jan and Agnes will thereafter be running Lightship Therapies, a one-stop-shop for complementary and holistic health care. Jan is a certified Reiki Master, Sound Healing Practitioner and Life Coach, with a recording studio and more than 20 years experience. Agnes is a qualified Swedish Masseuse, Aromatherapist, Reiki practitioner, Crystal Healer and Crystal Sonic Rejuvenation practitioner.

The lightship has three treatment rooms (available for hire to qualified practitioners), a training room to train new practitioners, and a shop selling crystals, sound healing instruments, CDs and plenty of other associated items.

Don't miss it! Whenever it is! Watch the local press for details and we will e-mail the date to SDG members as soon as we know it.

If you do miss the opening, visit on another occasion. Jan and Agnes are expecting 50,000 visitors a year.

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A word from our Chairman

We have a very active Slimbridge Dowsing Group and our fortnightly meetings cover a wide range of dowsingrelated subjects. We also have the opportunity to attend other dowsing events around the country.

From 10th to 12th September I attended the annual Congress and AGM of the British Society of Dowsers at the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester, where there was an interesting mix of talks and workshops covering subjects as diverse as earth energy lines, archaeological sites, diagnosing the cause of ill health, basic water divining, dowsing in the garden, and archaeo-astrology complete with a stargazing evening. Also the very interesting AGMs and experiences of the Special Interest Groups: Archaeology, Earth Energies, Health, Water and Site Dowsing. My head was spinning with new information and ideas.

I especially enjoyed the workshop by Dr David Hamilton on *How Your Mind Can Heal Your Body*. I have his book which you may borrow, and his CD that includes a very powerful method of meditation.

There is always a great social element to these BSD events: meeting up with old friends and talking about subjects of common interest to dowsers. There is always a party and dance on the Saturday evening. This time revellers dressed as Wizards, Witches and Warlocks danced to

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a Ceilidh Band in the Tithe Barn. I strongly recommend you to attend the event next year.

Peter Golding, Chairman

What you missed . . .

If you miss a Slimbridge Dowsing Group meeting or talk, you can always read all about it on our website – www.petergolding.net – then click on Event Reports.

We usually write up a mini-report of the event soon after the meeting, and send it to the local press. The *Gazette* is particularly good to us, and usually prints what we send, with photo.

If you don't live in the *Gazette* catchment area, check out the website.

Have your say

Members are welcome to send letters or short items for publication in this Newsletter. If you have had a particular success with your dowsing lately, or made any major breakthroughs in the field, we'd like to hear about it.

For example, I recently enjoyed a holiday in Ireland and visited New Grange, an ancient passage grave just north of Dublin.

It was a fascinating experience and my rods found some strong spirals. Deep inside the mound, I felt as if I was being pushed over and quite nauseated. Mind you, I had a similar sensation crossing the Irish sea on the ferry!

Slimbridge Dowsing Group Programme October to December 2010

Thursday 14th October **Dowsing in Woodchester Park** with Barry Goldring

Come and investigate the secrets of the 19th Century terraced garden in Woodchester Park. Find the buried paths, locate the underground tunnels, and help to find more of the buried garden features. Also, we have not yet investigated the earth energies there, so there is still a lot to do.

The National Trust warden Michele Oliver has arranged for transport from their car park at 2pm and back by 4 pm.

Sturdy footwear is recommended, and please note there are no facilities on site.

To find the Trust car park coming from Dursley, turn right just past the Coaley Peak car park, and drive towards Nympsfield until you see the entrance on your left.

Saturday 23rd October

Reflexology Healing Avril Holland*, Cert Ed, RN, RHV, MCIEA

and Chair at Leicestershire & Rutland Dowsers.

Avril's talk will be on Precision Reflexology and she will demonstrate a few points (on hands) that members can locate easily and use for themselves or clients. She will bring copies of charts, but can e-mail to you if you prefer as there is no copyright.



Avril is well qualified to speak on reflexology. She has a nursing background, then trained in Clinical Ecology in 1989 (Vega testing) followed by reflexology. She practised both for a number of years and began teaching reflexology in 1995, developing and running a private training school for 'Precision Reflexology' and teaching for 4 years on the undergraduate BA (Hons) in Complementary Therapies at the University of Derby.

In 1998 Avril was introduced to dowsing and gradually replaced vega testing with dowsing. She is a member of the BSD professional register for health dowsing. Unless otherwise stated, Meetings take place in Slimbridge Village Hall on Saturdays at 10.15 for 10.30 am and Thursdays at 1.45 for 2.00 pm.



Thursday 11th November **AGM followed by a talk on Acupuncture** Dr Fiona Firth*

The dreaded AGM is your big chance to wield your power! Come along and chuck out the old Committee (if you feel so inclined) and volunteer yourself. How many times this year have you felt you could do better? This could be your opportunity.

After the boring business bits (which are actually quite interesting), Fiona Firth will give the talk on Acupuncture that she planned to give in January but was snowed in. Fingers crossed for better weather this time.

Saturday 27th November **A Labyrinth in Troytown** Peter Golding

Peter will talk about the labyrinth he discovered in the Troytown area of Slimbridge, which led to the formation of our Slimbridge Dowsing Group.



Thursday 9th December Christmas Party - Dowsing Four Tables

This event is turning into a tradition for us, which is nice at Christmas. We have a few festive bottles and nibbles, but the fun is to be had dowsing the tables. Come along and try your skills. Last year we had map dowsing where you had to find an extinct village between Tetbury and Cirencester (inhabitants



had died out during the plague in the 1600s); finding the electrical faults in a run of Christmas tree lights; dating pottery (one piece believed to be from the 13th century); remote viewing and checking on allergies and intolerances. So far no-one has done very well at remote viewing, so here's your chance to have another go. * Visiting speaker